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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56, relative to establishing termination or renewal dates and procedures for provider contracts between hospitals and ambulatory surgical treatment centers and certain entities subject to regulation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SE	CTION 1.	Tennessee	Code Anno	otated Title 5	56, Chapte	er, is	s amende	ed by ad	ding the
following a	as a new P	art:							
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Section 56									

(a) The termination or renewal date for any contract for participation in a provider network between a hospital or an ambulatory surgical treatment center and 1) an insurance company issuing coverage described in Tennessee Code Annotated Title 56, or 2) a medical

services plan, a hospital services corporation, a hospital and medical services corporation or a health maintenance organization shall be made available to enrollees no less than sixty (60) days from the effective date of the termination or renewal date through a written notice to such enrollees.

(b) For the purpose of this Act, a hospital is defined by Tennessee Code Annotated of Section 68-11-201, item 21 and an ambulatory surgical treatment center is defined in Tennessee Code Annotated Section 68-11-201, item 3.

SECTION 2.

If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 3.

This act applies to any contract with an effective date after its enactment and to any contract with a renewal date on or after December 31, 2002.

SECTION 4.

This act shall become effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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